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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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Week Ending 11/26/62

WEATHER Rain and snow totaled up to .05 inch over dry western Nebraska on Wednesday.

Tuesday had been a very windy, drying day. No other rain was reported. Temperatures were well above normal at the beginning and close of the period, and near normal at mid-period. Greeley reported 76 degrees and Hartington had 75 degrees. Burwell recorded 11 degrees.

CROPS Harvest operations made good progress last week under generally favorable weather conditions. By the end of the week, 93 percent of the corn was harvested or about 10 percent ahead of a year ago and equally ahead of normal. The sorghum harvest was complete except for occasional fields in scattered areas. Yields of both crops was running unusually high in most areas. Some fields in a few southeast counties were damaged by winds. Combining of castor beans moved along rapidly.

Grain losses during the harvest of corn and milo have been the smallest in several years. Lodging has been light because of the lack of snow. Losses from winds which normally take some toll have also been less than usual.

Winter wheat is in good condition with well developed roots. The crop has shown unusual rank top growth which is causing growers some concern. Many fields are being grazed by livestock. Leaf rust has been widespread but it was checked by freezing temperatures. A few fields are infected with mosaic. Many fields in southern counties have turned yellow but this condition seems to have stabilized during the past week. Moisture would be beneficial for winter grains and a snow cover would be welcome to provide winter protection.

The open fall has permitted farmers to make good progress on fall plowing and other pre-winter tasks. Some irrigation wells have been running to replenish soil moisture reserves. In the upper Platte Valley, dry bean fields were being tilled to prevent wind erosion.

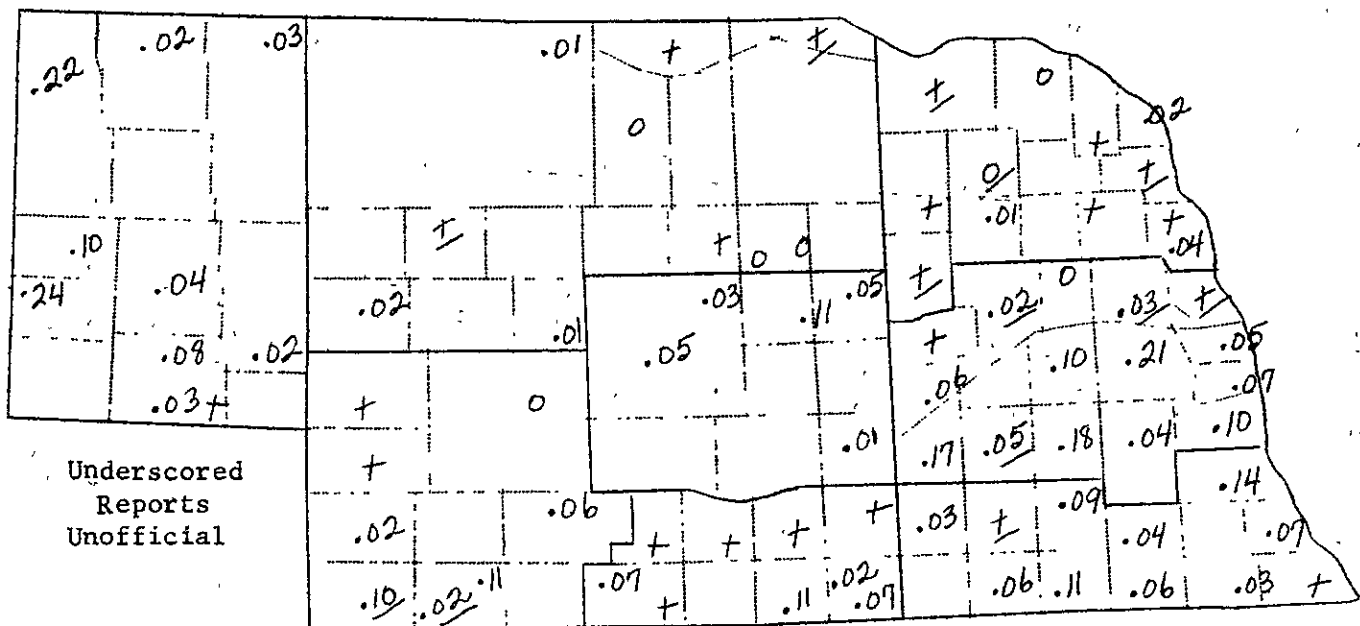
Ranges and pastures continue in good to excellent condition and they provide ample forage. Grass is quite dry and quality of the feed would be improved by additional precipitation. Dry grass still poses a fire hazard in the range country.

LIVESTOCK Cattle and calves are thriving as the lack of snow cover has permitted full utilization of pastures and harvested stalk fields. Some supplemental feeding of concentrates to cows has started in a few places in the range sections. Cattle and calves will be moving to feedlots as gleaning of corn and sorghum fields is finished.

WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 26, 1962

<u>East</u>		<u>Central</u>		<u>West</u>	
Grand Island	0	Burwell	0	Chadron	.02
Lincoln	T	North Platte	0	Imperial	0
Norfolk	0	Valentine	.01	Scottsbluff	T
Omaha	.01			Sidney	0
Sioux City	--				

# PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 23, 1962



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE (Highs for 24 hours ending at 12:01 a.m., and lows for 12 hours ending at 6:00 a.m., CST)

		November		20th		21st		22nd		23rd		24th		25th		26th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	49	37	69	34	43	23	54	27	45	28	55	24	65	34		
	Scottsbluff	47	40	62	33	40	22	54	26	45	26	56	26	64	26		
	Sidney	36	26	62	29	43	22	50	22	42	23	56	26	60	31		
NC	Burwell	49	30	76	31	49	21	53	35	47	20	55	11	66	--		
	Valentine	48	34	74	38	45	15	53	33	45	24	55	18	73	34		
NE	Norfolk	46	31	74	40	49	27	51	40	49	17	50	14	59	34		
	Sioux City	46	32	71	39	51	25	52	40	49	21	49	20	58	31		
CEN	Grand Island	42	30	65	29	51	20	50	37	45	20	47	17	54	27		
EC	Lincoln	42	33	58	38	52	31	52	40	48	30	49	28	54	35		
	Omaha	41	31	59	38	50	28	50	38	47	29	47	25	53	35		
SW	Imperial	39	27	65	29	49	23	51	33	44	26	54	20	63	24		
	North Platte	42	33	69	30	51	21	53	31	45	23	56	16	64	29		

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